

## VERY BREEZY LETTER FROM THE MINISTERS

To the Board of County Commissioners,  
in Which They Call for the  
Revocation of

### WHEELING PARK'S LICENSE.

The Wheeling-Wellsburg Railroad  
Franchise Is Granted After Or-  
dinance Had Been Amended.

The feature of the meeting of the Ohio county board of commissioners yesterday was the communication from the Wheeling federation of churches, in which the board is called upon to revoke the liquor license of the Wheeling Park Association. After the communication had been read and discussion had followed, it was referred to the board's committee on finance.

The communication which was presented on behalf of the federation by Revs. Samuel Schwarz, pastor of the First English Lutheran Church, and C. M. Oliphant, of the First Christian Church, was as follows:

Wheeling Park.

To the Board of County Commissioners of Ohio County, W. Va.

SIR:—Since the Federation of Churches began its efforts for the betterment of the moral condition of this community, asking for the enforcement of laws with reference to gambling, Sunday selling and Sunday baseball, and especially since the council of this city has turned down the "fake hotels," denying them the license to sell liquors in connection with houses where many girls have been ruined, many citizens have repeatedly told us that we never touched the fountain-head of all this iniquity.

Loudly and severely have the good citizens of Pleasant Valley been criticized for having been instrumental in bringing pressure to bear upon the officers of that village, leading them to deny license to the proprietors of the Pleasant Valley Park, and especially has the Federation of Churches been criticized for having stopped Sunday baseball, and at the same time making no protest against far worse evils constantly in operation in Wheeling Park on the Sabbath day.

Hundreds of citizens have come to us and said: "If you are going to ask for the enforcement of law against one of these evils, why not ask the same against all?"

Now these reports have come to us from the mouths of people whose truthfulness and veracity we have no reason to doubt, but, desiring to be thoroughly convinced of the truth or falsity of these reports, we thought it best to make thorough investigation. Accordingly we chose men from all parts of the city of Wheeling and from Fulton and Elm Grove to visit the park on Sunday, July 8, 1900, and they reported as follows:

The beer garden and bar were wide open, and men and women were buying beer and soft drinks. Between 2 o'clock p. m. and 5 p. m. 175 men and 75 women bought and used liquors, six men were seen intoxicated, and one woman was so badly under the influence of drink that she was put out of the beer garden; thirty or forty minors were buying and drinking. On this day there were nine waiters and ten bar-keepers on active duty. Vulgar and profane language was heard, but yet our investigators were told that this was an off day with the park.

We therefore determined to continue our investigations when things were in full-blown in the park. Accordingly on Sabbath, July 15, 1900, we sent men to make further investigations. They reported the beer garden and beer garden crowded; counted 300 men and 150 women buying and drinking, and gave it up, not attempting to count all. Minors were drinking, some of them with their parents; billiard tables and merry-go-round were doing big business; twenty men were more or less intoxicated.

Another feature was that outside of the beer garden enclosure the park was without lights, and two roads leading to the beer garden and in the locality of the merry-go-round. From this it will be seen that

## Cancer

There are never any external signs of Cancer until the blood is polluted and the system thoroughly contaminated by this deadly virulent poison. Then a sore or ulcer appears on some part of the body; it may be small and harmless looking at first, but as the cancerous cells form and are deposited by the blood near the sore, it increases in size and severity, with sharp shooting pains. No matter how often the sore is removed by the surgeon's knife or flesh destroying plasters, another comes and is worse. The real disease is in the blood, and the treatment must begin there. The poisoned blood must be invigorated and purified, and when this is done cancerous cells can no longer form and the sore will heal naturally and permanently.

Mrs. Sarah M. Keeling, 411 Windsor Ave., Bristol, Tenn., writes: "I am 41 years old, and for three years have suffered with a severe form of Cancer on my back. It was incurable, and I could not live more than three months. I accepted Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after taking a few bottles the sore began to heal, to the surprise of the physician. I am now in the best of health, my appetite is improved, sleep is refreshing, in fact, an enjoying perfect health."

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there is opportunity for the social evil in the darkness of the park. The park was still open at 11 p. m., when the investigators left.

Therefore, in view of the deplorable state of affairs in Wheeling Park on the Sabbath day, recited above, and many other facts which might be stated, we petition your honorable body to revoke the license which you have granted the Wheeling Park Association. The ground for our petition is based on section 21, chapter 32 of the Code of West Virginia, fourth edition, which reads as follows: "The county court or other tribunal or council who authorized any license mentioned in the first section may, for good cause shown, revoke the same upon the petition in writing of any inhabitant of the county, city, village or town. But the person holding the license must first have reasonable notice of the proposed revocation, and the privilege of being heard in person or counsel. After such revocation the license shall be of no effect to protect him from any penalty imposed by this chapter."

Respectfully submitted by the Federation of Churches of Wheeling, through its executive committee,

SAMUEL SCHWARTZ,  
J. L. SOOY,  
C. M. OLIPHANT,  
R. R. BIGGER,  
J. H. LITTELL.

August 6, 1900.

Mr. Schwarz's Remarks.

Following the reading of the communication, Rev. Schwarz said:

"If you have any question as to the truth or untruth of the allegations in that petition we ask you to appoint a committee to investigate the matter. We look upon this board, in a measure, as the guardian of the morals of this county. These things are not published for the first time, they are not new, certainly some of you have heard of them before. They have long been matters of public comment. Some may ask why we do not go before the grand jury. Since our experience before the grand jury in connection with the baseball cases we do not feel like appealing to that body. We will not prosecute or persecute. The board of commissioners granted this license upon certain conditions. These conditions have been abused. Therefore we ask action at your hands."

President McGregor inquired whether or not the ministers had communicated with the park association, to which Mr. Schwarz replied in the negative, adding: "We are not the body that is to determine this matter, and we naturally thought we had nothing to do with notifying the park people."

On motion of Commissioner Fritz, of Ritchie district, the communication was referred to the finance committee. The federation people were notified to have their evidence before this committee when a hearing is set.

### THE RAILROAD ORDINANCE

Passed Yesterday by the County Board, Granting a Franchise for the Wheeling and Wellsburg Electric Line—Other Business.

Included in the routine business transacted by the board of commissioners at its Monday meeting was the passage of the following bills:

Contingent poor fund..... \$ 73 29  
Poor house and farm..... 83 93  
Finance..... 11,220 49  
Court house and jail..... 6,573 82  
Roads and bridges..... 1,523 82

Total.....\$15,232 61

Superintendent Birkett, of the county infirmary, reported as follows for the month of July: Inmates, \$4; receipts, \$126 27.

Sheriff Richards returned county orders aggregating \$32,312 83.

The recommendations of the committee on roads and bridges in the matter of letting contracts for work on the national pike, were favorably passed upon.

Railroad Ordinance Passed.

The ordinance of the Northern Ohio Valley Electric Railway Company was next under consideration. Mr. Gutman's motion to defer being defeated. After the ordinance had been read Prosecuting Attorney Meyer said there were lacking certain essentials, which were remedied then and there. Several amendments were proposed and incorporated into the ordinance, including one that the company, when the county shall pave the river road with brick, shall put in seven-inch rails; another that the survey as made by the county engineer and made a part of the ordinance, shall be placed on record in the county clerk's office; one that the company may change the location of telephone of telegraph poles with the consent of their owners; but there shall be no obstruction of the roadway; another that all poles, switches, station houses, etc., shall be at the west side of the track, so as not to encroach upon the roadway; an amendment that the company shall run at least one car each way each hour from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.; that the fare between Wheeling and the Ohio county line shall not exceed 15 cents one way nor 25 cents for the round trip. The ordinance as amended went to its third reading and was passed without opposition.

Alv. Gardner, colored, was appointed constable in Clay district, filling a vacancy.

The board adjourned at noon, and met again in the afternoon and made an inspection trip over the Zion's cemetery road on the South Side.

### MANILA BANKS

Combined to Reduce the Rate on American Gold.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The war department is considering a remedy for the action of the three Manila banks which have combined to reduce arbitrarily the rate of exchange on American gold. This action on the part of the banks is taken, it is said, on account of the disturbed condition in China, which the banks say has resulted in increasing the value of the Mexican dollar. Complaints have been made by the authorities in Manila, and it is probable that the war department will authorize General MacArthur to take measures to guard against the action of the banks, and have the rate on silver fixed in the Philippines as it is by the treasury department here.

### Doctor Seriously Hurt.

Special Correspondence of the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Aug. 6.—Dr. Swan, of Barboursville, was thrown from his horse last night while returning from a visit to a patient in the country, and received serious injuries.

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### PROHIBITIONISTS

Meet and Nominate a State Ticket—T. E. Carakaden for Governor—An Aggressive Campaign.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Aug. 6.—The state executive committee of the Prohibition party has nominated the following state and congressional tickets: For governor, T. E. Carakaden, of Mineral county; for auditor, J. B. McGregor, of Ritchie county; for treasurer, Mr. Swinburne, of Kanawha county; for attorney general, C. D. Merriek, of Wood county; for superintendent of schools, E. E. Mercer, of Marion county. For Congress, First district, Goodlow Jackson, of Lewis county; Second district, Herbert Young, of Morgan county; Fourth district, Rev. W. H. Shaw, of Mason county. No nomination has been made in the Third district. The presidential electors are as follows: At large, W. E. Sharp, of Wood county, and T. C. Johnson, of Kanawha county; district First, M. L. Connelly, of Ohio county; Second, D. E. Gibson, of Preston county; Third, Rev. J. W. Bedford, of Cabell county; fourth, Dr. M. S. Hall, of Ritchie county. The headquarters of the committee will be here. U. A. Clayton is chairman and F. P. Kelley is secretary and treasurer. They say they will conduct an aggressive campaign and predict a large increase in the vote of their party.

### SECRETLY MARRIED.

Young Society People of Parkersburg Surprise Their Friends—Joined Together in Philadelphia.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Aug. 6.—A telegram received this evening announcing that John Burch, Jr., and Miss Laura Tracwell, both of this city, were married at St. Clement's Episcopal church, Philadelphia, at 11 o'clock this morning, created quite a social sensation. Miss Tracwell left here for Asbury Park, N. J., about a week ago, and Mr. Burch went east on Friday, neither giving a hint to their families or closest friends of their intention. The groom is a son of one of the wealthiest retired business men in this section, and the bride, who belongs to a pioneer family, is very prominent socially. The attendants at the wedding were Mr. Charles C. Woodard and Miss Edith Smoot, also of Parkersburg. After an eastern trip of a few weeks, and a visit to the large eastern cities, Mr. and Mrs. Burch are expected to return here, where they will make their future home.

### Wanted to Mix the Colors.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

STEVENSVILLE, Aug. 6.—John Pryor (colored) and Edna Hutson (white), aged 16, were arrested here this afternoon by the police. The pair came here from Clarksburg, W. Va., to get married, but could not, because of the girl's age. Mrs. Mary Hutson and Officer Specht, of Bridgeport, followed the pair here, and when Mrs. Hutson saw Pryor she wanted to kill him, but was prevented. Mother and daughter returned home to-night.

### Small Pox at Bollington.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

BELLINGTON, W. Va., Aug. 6.—For the first time in the history of Bellington the yellow flag is displayed. One case of what is supposed to be smallpox is in the heart of the business part of the town, and several have been exposed. Forty-two cases of smallpox are reported in the bend of the river district, a settlement ten miles north of here. A strict quarantine is being maintained, and every precaution is taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

### Hurt in a Poker Room.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Aug. 6.—Yesterday Charles Milton was struck in the head by some unknown person during a fight in a poker room, and received what may yet prove to be a fatal wound.

### Mute Drowned.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Aug. 6.—Earl M. Boyers, a mute, aged twenty-one, son of Melville Boyers, exhausted his strength while swimming in the Monongahela river this afternoon, and was drowned before his companions could rescue him.

Eyes and Nose Ran Water.—C. G. Archer, of Brewer, Maine, says: "I have had Catarrh for several years. Water would run from my eyes and nose for days at a time. About four months ago I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and since using the wonderful remedy I have not had an attack. I would not be without it." It relieves in ten minutes. Sold by Charles L. Goetze, Twelfth and Market streets.

## HOW THEY MARRY

In the Land of Rice and Idols.  
Elaborate Ceremonies

### CHARACTERIZE UPPER CLASS.

There is a Respectable Reason for Many Such Customs, Though Ridiculous—The Bride's Obedience to Her Husband and Her Mother-in-Law.

The marriage of the upper classes in China is surrounded by a number of very elaborate ceremonies, though those of humbler station content themselves with more primitive rites.

Among the classes supposed to be better off a great feast is one of the most important items of the day's proceedings. This, which answers to the wedding breakfast, is spread on tables at the east and west of the dining hall. But, curiously enough, neither bride nor bridegroom is permitted to taste of the delicacies thereon displayed. Instead a meal for the "happy man" is spread in the courtyard. Before the ceremony he makes obeisance to his father and the wedding guests, kneeling down and knocking his head six times against the ground. The father hands him a goblet of wine and tells him to send for his bride, says the London Express.

The formula in the bidding never alters. It is in the following words: "Go, my son, and seek your wife, and behave in all things with prudence and wisdom." The sedan chair, or palanquin, which is dispatched for the reception of the bride, is invariably painted red, and is often richly adorned with paintings and carvings. A profusion of gliding is always one of its most characteristic features.

### Eccent to the Blushing Bride.

A large procession, including a band of music, is always sent as escort to the blushing bride. Gay lanterns and banners, torches, umbrellas and fans are always carried in the procession, not to mention various emblems appropriate to the occasion. Thus a tiny orange tree, well loaded with golden fruit, is taken along as a symbol of a large family. A goose and a gander are emblematic of conjugal fidelity, while a dolphin means worldly prosperity and a high position. The color of all the paraphernalia is red—the hue of rejoicing. Red fans, red lanterns, red umbrellas, together with the red-painted palanquin and the red costumes of the attendants, make a bright splash of color. And with the musicians blowing and thumping their hardest, gongs beating, torches spluttering and flaring, and lanterns gleaming, a Chinese wedding procession appeals powerfully alike to eye and ear.

It is etiquette for everybody to make way for the cortege, and China's penal code provides a severe punishment for anybody neglecting to do so.

Before the bride sets forth on her journey to her new abode, whether she is hidden by a few lines written on red paper, and presented by the friend of the bridegroom—answering to the English "best man"—she does kow-tow to her father and mother, drinks a last cup of wine, and, kneeling, listens to harangues from her parents on the new state of life into which she is now entering, and her duties therein.

### Orations Occupy Some Time.

These orations, in the best style of Chinese eloquence, occupy some time, meanwhile the poor little bride, on her knees, listens with what patience she may command. Ere stepping into the palanquin she veils herself in silk of the orthodox shade of red, then the return procession starts.

Arrived at the house, a curious ceremony takes place, the bride being presented with a tray containing rice and betel nuts. She must prostrate herself at the feet of her future husband, to denote her complete submission to his will. Then the girl unveils, and for the first time the bridegroom sees his bride's face.

Ancestor worship and the adoration of the heavens and the earth are essential parts of a Chinese marriage ceremony, though the formal adoration of the ancestral tablets does not take place till the third day after the wedding. The bride at the wedding feast must prostrate herself before her parents-in-law, to whom she gives wine. The mother-in-law in her turn presents the bride with a cup of wine. Three days after marriage a grand visit of ceremony is paid to the wife's parents. Servants laden with presents accompany the newly wedded pair.

### CHAPEL TO BE ERECTED

On the Spot Where King Humbert Gave Up His Life.

ROME, Aug. 5.—The city council of Monza has ceded the plot of ground including the spot where King Humbert was assassinated to the royal family, who will erect a chapel there.

Queen Margherita has composed a tender prayer in memory of her husband, and has obtained permission from the archbishop of Cremona to circulate it among the faithful.

King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena will arrive in Rome Wednesday. The remains of King Humbert will leave Monza the same day, reaching the city at 9 a. m.

Ximes, the celebrated sculptor, proposes to erect a monument in honor of Queen Margherita in the gardens of the Pinolo.

### Giving Way to His Feelings.

MILAN, Aug. 6.—Bresci, the assassin of King Humbert, has abandoned the attitude of calm which he had assumed since the murder was committed, and has been giving way to fits of passion. This has necessitated placing him in a strait jacket for ten hours.

### Second to Go to Philippines.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 6.—There are now over 1,400 hundred troops at Fort Thomas, Ky. A telegram has been received from the war department at Washington stating that the Second Infantry had been assigned to the Philippines division under Gen. MacArthur.

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